



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**  
CARIBBEAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
CITY VIEW PLAZA II, SUITE 7000  
GUAYNABO, PUERTO RICO 00968-8069

Via Electronic Mail

December 8, 2015

ORTHO Pharmaceuticals  
Mario González  
General Manager  
State Road #2 Km 45.6  
Campo Alegre Ward  
Manatí, Puerto Rico 00674

Re: Pesticide Warehouse III Site, Manatí, Puerto Rico  
Request For Access to sample existing supply wells

Dear Mr. Mario González:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is conducting a Remedial Investigation (RI) at the Pesticide Warehouse III Site ("Site"), located in Manatí, Puerto Rico under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-9675, also known as the federal "Superfund" law.

On or about April 30, 2003, the Site was placed on the National Priorities List, established under Section 105(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9605(a), to prioritize known "releases or threatened releases" of hazardous substances. EPA is currently conducting an RI at the site to address such contamination. As part of the RI, on or about December 14, 2015, EPA will begin sampling existing wells in the vicinity of the Site. The activities to be conducted on your property will include collection of groundwater samples from the facility supply wells.

This letter seeks your cooperation in consenting to grant access to EPA and its contractors in order to conduct the above-referenced remedial activities. We have enclosed a "Consent for Access to Property" form to be signed by an authorized representative of the agency. In order to expedite the process, please have the appropriate designated official execute the enclosed form and return it to EPA **within seven (7) days of your receipt of this letter.**

If you have any questions regarding this matter or the activities that will be conducted or would like to discuss this matter with EPA, you may call me at (787) 977-5824. If there are questions of a legal nature, your attorney may contact Mr. Henry Guzman, Esq. in the EPA, Region 2's Office of Regional Counsel at (212) 637-3166.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

  
Luis Santos  
Remedial Project Manager

Enclosure

***CONSENT FOR ACCESS TO PROPERTY***

Property Owner:                      ORTHO Pharmaceuticals

Address of Property:                State Road #2 Km 45.6  
   Manatí, Puerto Rico

I, the undersigned authorized representative of ORTHO Pharmaceuticals, consent to officers, employees and authorized representatives of the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") entering and having continued access to the above-referenced property at Manatí, Puerto Rico ("Property"). Access is granted to the Property to perform sampling activities on supply wells. I understand and agree that the above-mentioned representatives will be free to enter upon my property at all reasonable times.

I understand that these actions by EPA are undertaken pursuant to its response and enforcement responsibilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601- 9675. I understand that EPA requires its contractors to maintain comprehensive vehicle liability insurance, and comprehensive general liability insurance for bodily injury, death, or loss of, or damage to property or third persons, arising from activities of its contractors. I also understand that such insurance shall be maintained at all times that EPA's contractors are conducting activities on the above-referenced Property.

I acknowledge that I have been informed of the above-mentioned activities. This written permission is given by me voluntarily with knowledge of my right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind. By my signature, I also acknowledge that I am fully authorized to grant such access.

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Date

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Signature

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Name and Title (PRINT)